

quite like a house and as a matter of course my mind runs more on furnishing. I believe I could make a house look cozy and home-like if I could get just what I want to, but this talk that all you want, is a little money and a good deal of taste is humbug, both as to dressing and furnishing. Still the house is going to be a very bright sunshiny one and that goes a great way. Uncle writes me to arrange drawers shelves etc, in closets just to suit myself, so if they are not convenient it will be my own fault. The waist you left here is the one belonging to your black serge. I will send when we send other things. Glad to know you have fruits. Would you like to have Papa send toy to you before peaches are gone. If so fix day when it shall go so that Henry will be down

I think Jessie is going to give satisfaction to his Uncle. I had a letter from him today in which he expressed his pleasure that Jessie is not at all inclined to go out on the street after dinner! Namnam.

I was glad to know that you and Annie had the pleasure of being together again as you had last Saturday, and as I presume you will have this coming Sat. Life is short and it is good to enjoy as much as possible the society of our loved ones as we go along. I regret very much that you and Annie should be separated at all; but at the same time I do feel as if I wanted one at least of the children at home. Don't you think it would be dreadful for Papa and I to go into that big empty house all alone? By the way do you have a mid term vacation, and if so when does it come?

I hope it will come just about
the time we go into the new house
and then you must come home.
Joe's I expect will come before
we are in. I feel encouraged
to think that he is making a good
start. Uncle writes that Clark
deems quite studious. Probably
Uncle's experience with
Fessenden will react in Joe's
favor. I shall be glad when
Aunt Jane returns. Joe, will
be happy with her.

You express regret that Aunt
Junie should have complained
to me of what you wrote to
Mattie. That was not just
the way of it. I had the idea
that something was wrong
from a remark I heard Eddy
make, and knowing of old
that Aunt Junie feels better

about anything when
she talks it over and when
she does not, only worse and
worse. (While I mused the
fire burned,) I purposely
drew fire, taking it when
Annie was by, so that if
there was anything to explain
she might explain. I did not
really believe that you made the ~~remark~~
that she credited you with, but after
reading your letter I conclude you
did, and can only say that I think
it was unwise. But let the matter
drop with this single remark, that
good feeling and comfortableness
among relatives is a much to be
desired thing, and that you
will have to exercise some care
if you keep it between you and
Auntie, and Uncle Sanford.

The house begins to look